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# A proposal to establish mechanisms guaranteeing to lessen the possibility of the formation of extremist groups in the world

The growing phenomenon of extremism in some parts of the world especially in the Middle East and North Africa has brought catastrophic humanitarian crises. In the most tragic incidents the world has been being witnessed frequent revealing of images and videos of beheading by extremists murdering defenseless human. It seems that, if prompt emergency and influential actions by the international community do not happen to stop this growing trend, horrible atrocities will threat the future of our children around the world.

The extremism we are mentioning is the result of a phenomenon comes out of believes lead individuals to the point that easily murder another defenseless and helpless human in systematically rituals just because of having a different opinion. The extremists have no qualms about advertising and informing their crimes on the mass media. Although, several examples of killing innocent people for the sake of an idea have occurred in recent years; some of these incidents have been under the most public attention. For instance, the young Norwegian Anders Behring Breivik shot 69 people on August 2012 because of his extremist ideology. As another tragic occurrence, 7 members of the Taliban force on 16th December 2014 committed a mass assassination, murdering 149 people including 133 schoolchildren, in a school in Peshawar, Pakistan.

Furthermore, according to UN reports in the recent year, "the terrorist group of ISIS and its allies in Iraq have targeted communities of the Kurds, the Yezidis and other ethnic residents in the country in systematically planned attacks." It seems that a deliberate policy to annihilate, suppress and expel these tribes of living in their areas, have been pursued in the recent years by extremists. According to the reports, at least 11 thousand and 600 citizens have been killed in attacks by ISIS terrorist group, in the past year. On 19 March 2015 – A report released by the United Nations human rights office says that "the so-called ISIS in Iraq may have committed genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity in its attacks against ethnic and religious groups in the country. The report mentions detailing evidence of executions by shooting, beheading, burning alive and bulldozing. The scale of "systematic and widespread violence" perpetrated by the mentioned group from May to October 2015 was "staggering"."

Undoubtedly, the most heinous types of crimes committed by the extremists are the forms of violent of inhuman beheading or burning captives alive in systematic rituals and widespread coverage of the crime on the mass media. On the videos released by the extremist groups, it is seen innocent victims in handcuffs wearing certain clothes are murdered in front of the cameras in the most nefarious ways. These images and videos are widely publicized on the mass media and the Internet. Unfortunately, we see the violent consequences of extremism have altered its face from a hidden type to an unequivocal repulsive type. It seems that, the bloodshed in the style of some primitive ritual shapes in the new era of human society has been renovated. No doubt, human prudence on this subject endorses that the rituals based on bloodshed and massacre stem from absolute degeneracy of human being to the era of barbarism and savagery. Extremists who commit such acts of violence are usually classified under three categories:

1. Those who think and believe wholeheartedly to the extremism. Sometimes they commit massacres for a sacred purpose. They are trained and brainwashed for such behaviors.
2. The ones, due to years of enduring hardship in extreme poverty and hunger besides lack of proper education, have become accustomed to anti-social behaviors. They with persuading financial offers join the soldiers of extremism. For instance, recently news on sales of suicide attackers in the world has been reported; Soldiers whom their families get paid for the sake of sacrificing themselves as suicide bombers killing defenseless civilians in terrorist attacks. It seems the world deliberately tends to keep some children of human in acute hunger to misuse them on proper times doing massacre as the extremist attackers in exchange for money they are given.
3. Those who affiliate extremist attackers to be gratified by the thrill of their avarice to murder. Partially, we saw that these individuals are originally from some developed countries came to bloodsheds. Such dormant wrath can have a variety of reasons, including the type of education they have been given to the expansion of violent computer games reinforces the spirit of bloodshed among children.

Although, based on international treaties and laws exploiting children in wars is an immoral and illegal action; one of the strategies of the extremists reportedly is to take advantage of absorption and training children from an early age to be compulsory recruited for military actions and terrorism. According to available reports, ISIS and other terrorist groups in Iraq and Syria are enlisting teens as the militias who have been brainwashed. These children have had no rights to choose being compulsory enlisted in such groups; in this regard, defending their rights should be among the top priorities of the council of human right.

The Human Rights Council is hereby urged:

1- The establishment of a constant surveillance structure to receive and investigate observational reports of NGOs on the infringement of promoting extremism on the mass media and public environments. This should be done to determine the precautionary mechanisms controlling and limiting the spread of utilizing systematic means to promote extremism believes in countries of world and on the Internet.
2- It should be appealed by the council to the states to establish an efficient and urgent international mechanism to rescue children exposed to ideological and military trainings by extremists.
3- The council persuades countries to plan for promoting cultural and educational level of children of the world via adding humanitarian simple stories in the contents of school books about the life of great national and international heroes of the world which has been reported by religions and the literature in the history of mankind. The mandate of this program should be aimed to promote world peace and friendship among countries, religions, ethnics, races, minorities to undermine the extremism ideas gradually.
4- Regarding the reports related to sales of suicide attackers, the council is demanded to investigate more serious researches; moreover, the states and the international community should be called on taking serious actions to stop this emerging phenomenon.